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USFK moves main CP to Oscar

Story, photo by Pfc. Yoon, Jong-pil

United States Forces Korea Main deployed to Command Post Oscar for the first time to participate in Ulchi Focus Lens 2003. Prior to this exercise, USFK Main was located within the Second ROK Army compound on the eastern side of Daegu.

There are several reasons why these servicemembers moved into CP Oscar.

"On the operational side, there are synergy effects by collocating USFK and 8th Army personnel as far as interactions and cooperation," explained Maj. Duvidelle Durieux, officer-in-charge, Joint Command Information Systems Activity, USFK Main.

Because CP Oscar and SROKA are located in the same city, they are not far apart. However, the command posts have several differences. According to Master Sgt. John Meade, USFK engineer operations NCOIC, there is a lot more attention brought on their work, and their living environment has improved by moving into CP Oscar.

Even though 8th Army and USFK both participate and perform well together during exercises, most of the servicemembers from USFK have never laid foot in CP Oscar before this UFL.

"The first thought I had when I came to CP Oscar is that it is a very good command post, and also the camp itself is pretty impressive," said Durieux.

Eighth Army worked hard to improve communication and



Maj. Duvidelle Durieux, JCISA, officer-in-charge, USFK Main, answers the phone during UFL.

Unauthorized personnel: Beware!



Photo by Pfc. Yoon, Jong-pil

Pfc. Isalah Drone, 8th Army Band, secures the gate at Command Post Oscar during protest training at Camp Walker Aug. 17. The band is providing security for CP Oscar during Ulchi Focus Lens 2003.

coordination during exercises with USFK.

"We are fortunate enough to have the facilities we are working out of," said Sgt. 1st Class Paul E. Butler, spectrum manager of the J6 Joint Frequency Management Office. "Just looking at the refurbished floors and walls, we can tell we've been receiving excellent support from the 8th Army in ensuring that these structures are comfortable for a good working environment."

Most of the soldiers from both USFK Main and 8th Army think positively of the change.

"I think it will be a big learning experience, especially since it is the first time we are together, and I believe that once we work out all the small issues that arise, UFL will be even more successful," said Meade.

Col. Damian Zolik, long range plans chief, 8th Military Police Brigade, agreed.

"I think it will be conducive since they are next door," he said. "I am really looking forward to how the exercise will turn out since we are together."



The Spirit of Hwarang

It's August and the 8th Army warriors have amassed once again to show their combat readiness in this year's Ulchi Focus Lens.

UFL is an annual summer exercise involving forces from both the Republic of Korea and the United States. It is designed to evaluate and improve combined and joint coordination, procedures, plans and systems necessary for the conduct of contingency operations of ROK and U.S. forces.

UFL demonstrates ROK/U.S. interoperability and Combined Forces Command capability, as well as the commitment to defend Korea.

Fifteen centuries ago, when this part of Korea was known as the Kingdom of Shilla, a group of Shilla warriors called the "Hwarang" demonstrated their battle skills and their nobility in this same area. The Hwarang was a youth organization led by a single "Kook sun," the spiritual leader. Under this leader, the Hwarangs led thousands of "Nangdo" to become a Hwarang. These young, aspiring warriors trained in martial arts and in academics, aspiring to become Hwarangs. A knightly code of conduct resulted from Hwarang-do training, and the Hwarang members visited beautiful places within the Kingdom, engaging in both military and spiritual exercises to cleanse and train their minds and bodies.

It is in the spirit of Hwarang, this newsletter is created to honor the service members and events of this year's Ulchi Focus Lens who demonstrate the spirit of Hwarang.

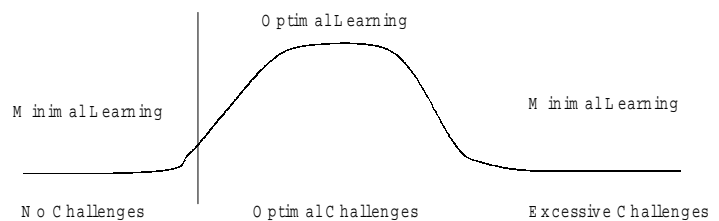
This newsletter will not be available online until after August.

If any of our readers know of any sections or individuals who possess this spirit of courage, intelligence and nobility, let us know by calling 764-3040 or e-mail us at bassettr@usfk.korea.army.mil.

Chaplain's Corner

By Chaplain (Col.) Mel Schroeder

Mark Twain once said, "Do something every day that you don't want to do; this is the golden rule for acquiring the habit of doing your duty without pain." We need to challenge ourselves to learn our jobs, and to challenge others to set the condition in which optimal learning can occur. Here is a graph that may be useful to further appreciate the correlation between challenge and learning:



A word from the book of James fits here (1:2-4) "Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything."

Camp Walker Chapel Worship Schedule

Catholic Service: 9 a.m. Sunday

Collective Protestant Service: 10:30 a.m. Sunday

Collective Protestant Service (Gospel): 12:45 p.m. Sunday

Lutheran Service: 7:30 a.m. Sunday

KATUSA Prot. Services: 7:45 a.m. Monday and 10:30 a.m. Tuesday

Church of Christ Service: 1 p.m. Sunday

Latter day saints Service: 1 p.m. Sunday Annex

Apostolic Service: 11 a.m. Sunday

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Korean Civilians play crucial role in war time mission

Story, photo by Cpl. Kang, Byung-sam

From the Joint Security Area to Camp Hialeah in Busan, wherever there are U.S. servicemembers – Korean Service Corps civilians are standing by. They work on the most simple to the most complicated items to support U.S. forces in Korea. Their jobs run the gamut of driving buses and ambulances, operating all U.S. ranges in Korea, performing function checks on ammunition, running the Department of Public Works, and teaching at the driving and NBC schools.

Moreover, they will provide even more substantial support in wartime. In time of emergency, the KSC Battalion will immediately assume the role of a combat support and combat service support organization, expanding to almost more than 10 times its current size.

To exercise their war plans, KSC civilians are also participating in Ulchi Focus Lens 2003. “They are very hard-working, dedicated and experienced – many of them have worked for 15 to 20 years or more in the KSC organization,” said Capt. Duane Grohmann, KSC battalion executive officer. “So they provide a lot of continuity

compared to U.S. soldiers who come here for a year and go back to the states.”

Grohmann added that even though they are civilians, there have been few problems with KSCs playing their role during UFL. “Several of them are former Republic of Korea military personnel and we do day-to-day missions with U.S. military personnel.”



Capt. Duane Grohmann, KSC Battalion executive officer, and Yi Kwang-u, KSC Bn. executive assistant discuss exercise plans.

The KSC civilians explained how they are ready for the training, and willing to do it.

“I have already participated in many exercises, and I am accustomed to it,” said Kim, Chi-hun, 8th Personnel Command KSC liaison officer. “We’ll try to help in every way we can to get the best result out of the exercise.”

Chu, Chong-se, 8th PERSCOM KSC LNO, explained how seriously they take their mission.

“Our wartime mission will be providing various support which other military personnel can’t easily do,” he said. “I feel proud of our job, which contributes to the defense of the Republic of Korea, especially in this time when the tension grows around the peninsula.” Yi, Kwang-u, KSC Battalion executive assistant, said that war shouldn’t break out, but if it happens, they would enter the war to support military forces.

“We are mission essential civilians, so we participate in the exercise, and it’s worth it,” he said. “Even though we are civilians and may not use weapons, we are also a part of the team in war.”

This flag. This cloth of dreams for freedom, justice and opportunity. Hold this flag high and it keep its promise bright, for in it lies the best hope for all of us. - Mort Walker.



Meal hours

Camp Walker DFAC hours from Aug. 16 to Aug 28.

Breakfast: 5 to 8 a.m.

Lunch: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Dinner: 4:30 to 7 p.m.

Midnight: 10:30 p.m to 12:30 a.m. Night shift workers only.





Voice of UFL: What is your role at UFL and what do you enjoy the most about it?



GS-12 Labelle Martin
Fuel planner
Department of Defense

"We provide the base with fuel for the follow-on forces. I enjoy being able to provide necessary support to the warfighter in the right place, at the right time, and in the right quantity."



Spc. Katherine Martin
Clarinet player
8th Army Band

"We provide security for CP Oscar. I enjoy interaction between the officers and soldiers. Also, I like asking people if they have obscure household items to see if they notice I didn't just say, 'Do you have any laptops, cell phones, or recording devices?'"



2nd Lt. James Richards
Battle Captain
311th TCCC

"I work in systems control at the TCCC, and it's an experience most second lieutenants don't get. There are few operations for second lieutenants serving here."



Sgt. Kim, Dong-won
Translator
8th Army G-3

"This is my eighth and last CP Oscar exercise. I enjoy my job and I'm comfortable with it because I've been here so many times. I'm glad to serve the U.S. and ROK armies. It's a great opportunity to see generals, officers and cool soldiers."

What's up

Weather for Daegu, South Korea

Uniform reminders

LBV, Kevlar and protective mask, while the UFL uniform, are not authorized for wear in the PX and Commissary.

Deployment reminders

Cell phone ringers should be shut off in the billets. Respect those who are sleeping. All Butler buildings' lights will be turned on daily from 6 to 8 a.m. and 7 to 10 p.m. Try to use a flashlight whenever possible.

For the benefit of all, personal items should be locked up when unattended.

Physical fitness facilities

Kelly Gym is open 4 a.m. to Midnight daily.

AUG 18



Hi	Low
78 F	66 F
26 C	19 C

AUG 19



Hi	Low
87 F	60 F
31 C	16 C

AUG 20



Hi	Low
82 F	75 F
28 C	24 C



Surgeon team contributes towards success of UFL exercise

Story, photos by Cpl. Jang, Seung-mo

When a war breaks out, one of the first things the commander wants to do is minimize casualties. Commanders like to be informed at all times on how many soldiers are injured and in need of medical support. This is when the military medical units perform their primary mission.

Under a wartime environment, they provide the commander with vital information regarding the medical situation for the theater.

exercise,” said Col. Matthew Raymond, night shift 8th Army Surgeon.

“We not only track the number of casualties and civilians evacuated in the theater, we report the status of health services, including medical supplies to the commanding general,” he said.

According to Raymond, with the information they provide, the commander and his

services in our area of operations and to respond to continuously changing situations,” said 8th Army’s chief surgeon.



Maj. Richard King (left) and 1st Lt. Shawn Flaharty of the 8th Army surgeon cell discuss the night medical operations.



Sgt. 1st Class Nestor Lopez, DCSMED Plans NCO, 8th Army surgeon cell, briefs 8th PERSCOM on medical analysis tools and how to estimate casualty rates on the battlefield. From left to right: Capt. Franklin Bukoski, Maj. Crystal Staples, Capt. Bonnie Clemente, of 8th PERSCOM and Sgt. 1st Class Nestor Lopez.

During this year’s Ulchi Focus Lens 2003, the 8th Army Surgeon Team is there to support the fight by providing accurate medical planning to commanders for the soldiers on the battlefield.

“There are numerous services we offer the entire 8th Army during this

staff can develop the plans for medical operations, which means the staff can accomplish its mission more efficiently.

Like many other units at CP Oscar, the surgeon team also meets some challenges that they need to overcome.

“Our significant challenge will be to keep track of the status of health

“Basically, the night shift battle captain coordinates with the other staff medical surgeon cells to provide an overall look at the medical situation for the peninsula,” said 1st Lt. Shawn Flaharty, night shift captain, 8th Army Surgeon Cell. “For me, as a night shift battle captain, the main challenges are being able to assimilate all the information from multiple sources and to get a clear picture of what is going on and what changes need to be made in the theater,” he said.

By facing and overcoming these challenges, members of surgeon team learn precious things that cannot be learned through reading books.

“All of us here at this office are learning how to work with each other and develop cohesion among the staff so that we can be an effective team. That is a key objective for this exercise,” Raymond said.



1st Sig. provides real-time commo support for Ulchi Focus Lens 2003

By 1st Signal Brigade PAO

YONGSAN GARRISON, Republic of Korea - 1st Signal Brigade, the largest signal brigade in the U.S. Army with more than 3,000 soldiers, civilians and Korean soldiers deployed throughout the Republic of Korea, will provide real-time integrated communications in support of the 29th annual UFL.

The brigade will provide robust command, control, communications, computers and information systems via strategic and tactical means to support Combined Forces Command, U. S. Forces Korea, and 8th U. S. Army during UFL.

UFL is a combined/joint training exercise conducted annually. It is a routine, regularly scheduled exercise

involving forces from both the U.S. and Republic of Korea.

UFL is designed to evaluate and improve combined and joint coordination, procedures and systems for the conduct of contingency operations of the ROK and U.S. forces. Some are stationed in Korea, and a small number of U.S. forces will be deploying to Korea from Japan, Guam and the U.S.



The Sports Ticker



Preseason College Football Polls

Coaches

- 1 Oklahoma (29)
- 2 Ohio State (28)
- 3 Miami (FL) (5)
- 4 Texas
- 5 Kansas State
- 6 Auburn (1)
- 7 Michigan
- 8 Southern California
- 9 Georgia
- 10 Virginia Tech
- 11 Pittsburgh
- 12 Florida State
- 13 Maryland
- 14 North Carolina State
- 15 LSU
- 16 Tennessee
- 17 Virginia
- 18 Notre Dame
- 19 Washington
- 20 Wisconsin
- 21 Alabama
- 22 Purdue
- 23 Arizona State
- 24 Oklahoma State
- 25 Colorado State
- 25 Penn State

AP

- 1 Oklahoma (32)
- 2 Ohio State (27)
- 3 Miami (FL) (2)
- 4 Michigan (2)
- 5 Texas
- 6 Auburn (1)
- 7 Kansas State (1)
- 8 Southern California
- 9 Virginia Tech
- 10 Pittsburgh
- 11 Georgia
- 12 Tennessee
- 13 Florida State
- 14 LSU
- 15 Maryland
- 16 North Carolina State
- 17 Washington
- 18 Virginia
- 19 Purdue
- 20 Notre Dame
- 21 Wisconsin
- 22 Arizona State
- 23 Colorado State
- 24 Oklahoma State
- 25 Texas Christian

PGA Championship

FINAL ROUND COMPLETE

1. Shaun Micheel	-4 F
2. Chad Campbell	-2 F
3. Tim Clark	-1 F
4. Alexander Cejka	E F
5. Ernie Els	+2 F
5. Jay Haas	+2 F
7. Fred Funk	+4 F
7. Loren Roberts	+4 F
7. Mike Weir	+4 F
10. Billy Andrade	+5 F
10. Niclas Fasth	+5 F
10. Charles Howell III	+5 F
10. Kenny Perry	+5 F
39. Tiger Woods	+12 F

Major League Baseball Scores

Tampa Bay	4	Houston	3
Cleveland	5	Cincinnati	4
NY Yankees	8	Colorado	4
Baltimore	0	NY Mets	6
Minnesota	4	Milwaukee	2
K.C.	5	Pittsburgh	5
Arizona	2	San Diego	7
Atlanta	0	Florida	11
San Francisco	2	Los Angeles	3
Montreal	4	Chicago Cubs	0